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WITH THE AUSTRALIAN SOCCER TEAM IN SINGAPORE.

(By E. Lukeman.)

Article No. 6.

After spending eight days in the scorching heat of Singapore, commencing with a chilling and conservative reception from the officials of the Singapore Association, and the British community, we were not sorry when the gangway of the good ship "Op. Ten. Noort" was raised and we were on our way to Batavia.

Major Harris, the Secretary of the Association, seemed to be the official who knew what a representative Australian team was, and our leaving was as chilling as the reception. As Britishers were keenly disappointed after our enjoyment of wonderful receptions and lavish hospitality, particularly from the British community in Java, expecting something better from our fellow-Britishers in Singapore.

During our Singapore itinerary we suffered our first defeat, losing our first game versus the Malays Chinese combined team, who, in the day's play, deserved their goals to two victory. The game was played at the Stadium, the best ground we have played on yet.

The Malays and Chinese were represented by: — Goal, Melan; backs, Yeow Suon and Omar; halves, Kemat, Boon Lay, and A. H. H. H.; forwards, Kwany Hung, Moor, Yong Liang, Dolfattan, and Fun Fun.

Australia relied upon: F. Smith; goal, Harris; F. Coolahan, Hall, and S. Hinton; L. Cook, Cameron, T. Thompson, J. Johnstone, and H. Robertson.

The home team played determined and well deserved their victory while the Australians never scored anything like their true

form. Our work in front of goal was wretched. Time after time capital chances of scoring were nullified, while our opponents made the most of theirs, and we do not begrudge them their win.

Tom Thompson scored both our goals, one in each half. On Sunday we met the Malay representative team, and after practically monopolising the whole of the game, could only register a victory by the only goal scored.

There was a large crowd present when the following teams lined out:—

Malaya: Walker, Chixang Siang, Yeow Suon, Kemat, De Silva, Craik, Harris, Farwell, Roy Smith, Yong Liang, and Welsh.

Australia: F. Smith, H. Johnson, Traynor, O'Connor, Marshall, and Coolahan, Coates, Cameron, T. Thompson, J. Johnstone, and C. Deacon.

Australia's goal was the result of a fine individual effort by Deacon, who centred for Thompson to head through.

Before the match against the Singapore Europeans on the 1st of August, by courtesy of the Sultan of Johore, we motored to the Temple and Palace at Johore, 18 miles from Singapore, and after being shown through these interesting buildings, returned to the hotel in time for lunch. In the evening out to the Stadium for the match which we won very easily by six goals to nil. The half-time score was three goals to nil. Our goals were registered by Thompson (3), Cameron, Johnstone, and Deacon.

The teams were:—

Singapore Europeans: Goal, Clayton; backs, Drummitt and Hall; halves, Craik, Heade, and Lee; forwards, Harris, Smith, Hawthorne, Osborne, and Bashford.

Australia: F. Smith; Johnson and Harris; O'Connor, Marshall, and Coolahan; Grieves, Cameron,

T. Thompson, J. Johnstone, and C. Deacon.

At the conclusion we were presented with a beautiful cup by Mrs. Sime, wife of the President of the Singapore Association, made the presentation.

At night we visited the Malay Exhibition at the invitation of the controlling officials. Native opera, weird, but interesting, was the main attraction, but we would rather have the evening at the Tivoli or Fullers'.

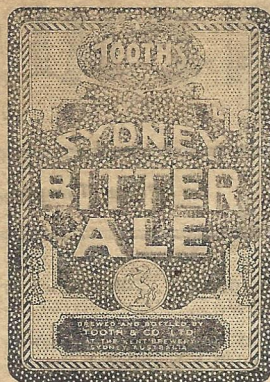
On Thursday, 4th August, at the request of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, we gave them an extra game. The game proved the best we have had so far during the whole of the tour. The Duke's are the crack team of the Malay Straits. We led for the greater part of the game by two goals to one, but in the last half a minute our opponents were awarded a penalty kick from which they equalised. Immediately afterwards, the final whistle sounded, and we had to be content with a draw. Tommy Thompson was again in scoring form, notching both our goals. The teams were:—

Duke's: Cogan; Hall and Butterworth; Hall, Connor, and Butterworth; Errington, Hawthorne, Bennett, Osborne, and Sansom.

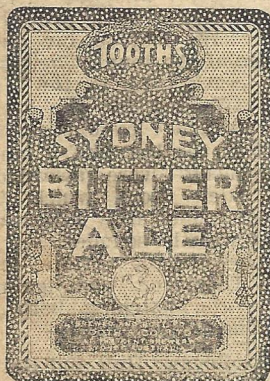
Australia: F. Smith; H. Johnson and T. Traynor; O'Connor, Marshall, and Coolahan; Grieves, Cameron, T. Thompson, J. Johnstone, and Robertson.

On the result of the game the destination of a beautiful cup, presented by a wealthy Singapore resident (Mr. Alaegoff) depended, but the Duke's, with commendable sportsmanship, allowed the cup to become the property of the Australian team. Mrs. Pegler, on behalf of the donor, made the presentation.

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PROGRAMME

SUNLIGHT CUP.

SOUTH SYDNEY II. v. PYRMONT II.—Redfern Oval, 12 noon.

SOUTH SYDNEY II. (Red and Green.)

J. Elliott	E. Macklin	T. O'Halloran
A. Jackson	F. Burne	Hopkins
A. Scanlan	Huskett	R. Roberts
		J. Roberts
		C. Watson

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Team not available.

PYRMONT II. (Blue.)

Referee: W. Clark.

SIX-A-SIDE COMPETITION.—Redfern Oval, at 2 p.m.

CANTERBURY. (Blue and Gold.)

Courtney	Hosen	Read	Heterick
		Bongers	

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Team not available.

HELENSBURGH. (Black and Gold.)

Referee: G. McLay.

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PROGRAMME

NORTH SYDNEY v. BALMAIN.—Redfern Oval, at 2.25 p.m.

NORTH SYDNEY.

(Black and Red.)

Dawes

Rose

Rodgers

Roberts

Clark

O

Seddon

Ireland

Pont

Robertson

Hush

BALMAIN.

(Black and Gold.)

Referee: J. Thompson.

SOUTH SYDNEY v. AUBURN.—Redfern Oval, at 2.50 p.m.

SOUTH SYDNEY.

(Red and Green.)

Team not available.

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Team not available.

AUBURN.

(Maroon.)

Referee: G. McLay.

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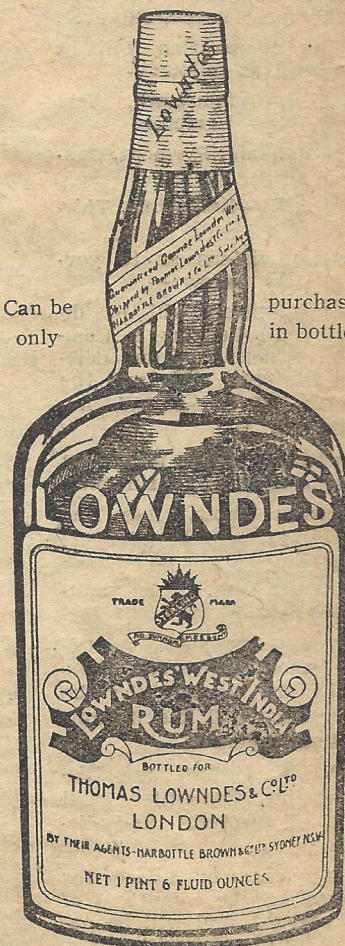
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The N.S.W. State Premiership.

PLANS WORKED OUT FOR NEXT SEASON.

As a result of two meetings of club representatives and Association officials, the details for the N.S.W. State Premiership Competition have been worked out.

Never in the history of the Association has the North presented a more united front than it is doing now.

Adamstown, New Lambton, and West Wallsend have definitely thrown in their lot with the Association, and there need be no fear of any further talk as to any of those clubs joining the State League.

One Sydney club, Canterbury, was not quite so definite; but it has been given a chance to definitely join in, and make the competition the most successful ever.

The State competition will be of eight teams, as follow:—

NEWCASTLE.—Adamstown, West Wallsend, New Lambton.

SYDNEY.—Balmmain, Pyrmont, Canterbury.

SOUTH COAST.—Balgownie, Thirroul.

The main divisions as to government are as follow:—

- (1) The competition will be directly controlled by a Committee consisting of one delegate from each club, and the Executive of the N.S.W. Association.
- (2) The matches will be played on the home-and-away principle.
- (3) The gross gates, less the ground rent, will be divided: 85 per cent. to the home club and 15 per cent. to the visiting club.
- (4) All ground expenses, including referees' expenses, will be paid by the home club; the visiting team will find its own travelling expenses.
- (5) The N.S.W. Protest and Disqualification Committee will decide all protests and disputes.
- (6) The Appointment Board for Referees will be comprised of three persons, and will be appointed by the Committee governing the competition.

(7) Referees' fees for this competition will be increased to £1, and where a referee travels from one district to another he will be paid in addition second-class railway fare.

(8) The competition will be conducted on a Semi-District basis, Sydney teams having the right to play any player resident in Sydney, the Newcastle teams to play players resident in Newcastle, and the South Coast teams to play players resident on the South Coast.

(9) An auxiliary competition will be conducted in the North and in the South, the two leading teams in each district at the end of the season to enter into semi-finals and final, the winners of the final to be admitted into the State League the following season.

A fortnight has been given all clubs to definitely link up.

The M.S.F.A. and N.D.B.F.A. will immediately get busy on the organisation of the local competition. The teams in that competition in the Metropolitan section will be Eastern Suburbs, South Sydney, North Sydney, Auburn, Helensburgh, plus others who will be admitted.

This competition should not lose its interest on account of the super-grade competition running, for it will provide an avenue for the player who cannot get away from Sydney on a Saturday, to play either in the State Premiership or the breakaway State League.

NEXT SEASON'S PROSPECTS.

The prospects for next season are bright, providing the Association clubs hold together; for out of the disorganisation resulting from the breakaway movement of last year has been evolved a State League competition, which should suit the most ardent advocate of "club control."

The three Newcastle clubs are without doubt three of the strongest in the State, if not the strongest, and they are enthusiastic regarding the prospects of the competition.

The problem of Hobart Park has been solved, for the Newcastle clubs have agreed to play their home games on this ground.

So far as Sydney is concerned, the Balmmain and Pyrmont clubs give promise of becoming very high-class organisations, and their officials deserve great credit for their efforts during what has been a very critical year.

Canterbury's position is doubtful, and, from reports, is wavering between allegiance to the Association and the breakaway League.

Other clubs are ready to step into any vacant positions, and in this regard it is worth noting that Auburn, which has been the most consistent of the Sydney clubs this year, has not secured entry into the new competition.

The organisation of one or two of the Association's clubs could be brightened up with advantage. Some clubs have owed the Association big monies during the year, and a genuine effort to pay the debt has not been made. Eastern Suburbs is the worst offender in that direction, and members of that club should call a general meeting to devise ways and means of disposing of their liability.

The Canterbury Club, on the other hand, has been a shining example of what can be done with effort. Facing the season with a debt of £25 to the Association, and losing many players and with little revenue from the gates, the debt has nearly all been paid, and this year's accounts have been met.

In conjunction with the new State competition will be run a Metropolitan First Grade. We have already five clubs for this competition—Easts, North Sydney, South Sydney, Auburn, and Helensburgh.

A successful junior club in Hornsby has applied for entry, and it is certain that a St. George team will be formed. Eight teams is the number aimed at in this competition.

The outlook is good, and clubs should spend the whole of the close season preparing for year 1929.

PYRMONT v. EASTS.—Redfern Oval, at 3.15 p.m.

PYRMONT.

(Blue.)

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Cohen	Turner	Callaghan	S. Robinson	Booth
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EASTERN SUBURBS.

(Red, White and Blue.)

Referee: J. Thompson.

FIRST SEMI-FINAL.—Redfern Oval, at 3.40 p.m.

Between Winners 1st and 2nd matches.

Referee: G. McLay.

SECOND SEMI-FINAL.—At 4.5 p.m.

Between Winners 3rd and 4th matches.

Referee: J. Thompson.

FINAL.—At 4.40 p.m.

Referee: G. McLay.

SECOND GRADE.

EASTERN SUBS. II. v. BALMAIN II.—Granville S.G., 3.15 p.m.

EASTERN SUBURBS II.

(Red, White and Blue.)

Cole

	Moran		Holledge	
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Purtell	Hayes	Flowers	Nelson	Clawes
McIvor	Burness	Parker	Cowd	Turner
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Watts

BALMAIN II.

(Black and Gold.)

Referee: T. Leighton.

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Results Last Saturday.

GARDINER CUP SEMI-FINAL.
Pymont 1, Balmain nil.

N.S.W. PREMIERSHIP.

West Wallsend 3, Balgownie 1.

PRESIDENT'S CUP.

Helensburgh v. Auburn. (Result not available).

Canterbury 3, South Sydney 1.

SUNLIGHT CUP.

Balmain 5, North Sydney 3.

South Sydney 3, Auburn 2.

To-Day's Fixtures.

INTERNATIONAL.

Australia v. N.S.W., at Hobart Pk., Newcastle.

CHALLENGE MATCH.

Balgownie v. Thirroul.

CARNIVAL PROGRAMME.

Six-a-side competition at Redfern Oval.

SUNLIGHT CUP SEMI-FINALS.

Balmain v. Eastern Suburbs, at Granville Showground, 3.15.

Pymont v. South Sydney, Redfern, 12 noon.

PRESIDENT'S CUP SEMI-FINAL.

Helensburgh v. Auburn.

Balmain v. Canterbury.

To be played on September 15th.

N.S.W. PREMIERSHIP SEMI-FINAL.

The semi-finals for the N.S.W. Premiership have been drawn, and matches have been arranged as follow:—

Balgownie v. Adamstown, on South Coast, on September 15th.

West Wallsend v. New Lambton, at Newcastle, on Sept. 22nd.

N.S.W. Premiership Table.

	P	W	D	L	B	F.	A.	Pt
Ad'stown	15	13	1	0	1	58	9	29
W. W'send	16	12	1	2	1	68	30	27
N. L'bton	15	10	2	2	1	44	23	24
Balgownie	17	9	2	5	1	40	22	22
Auburn	17	9	1	6	1	42	36	21
Pymont	16	7	2	6	1	40	32	18
Thirroul	15	6	2	6	1	37	35	16
O'terbury	16	6	1	8	1	42	48	15
Balmain	16	5	1	9	1	41	43	13
Cardiff	15	4	2	8	1	35	50	12
Holm'ville	16	5	3	7	1	21	35	15
S. Sydney	16	3	3	9	1	35	62	11
Hel'burgh	14	3	4	6	1	26	42	12
E. Subs.	15	2	3	9	1	27	47	9
Wallsend	10	3	0	6	1	14	31	8
N. Sydney	13	1	2	9	1	23	56	6
Corrimal	17	7	2	7	1	31	23	18

Holmesville's forfeit to Balgownie counted.

The semi-finalists are Adamstown, West Wallsend, New Lambton, and Balgownie, and no more games will be played in this competition, with exception of semi-finals and final.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

REDFERN OVAL.

12 noon: Sunlight Cup Semi-final—Pymont v. South Sydney.

SIX-A-SIDE COMPETITION.

No. 1.—2 p.m., Helensburgh v. Canterbury.

No. 2.—2.25 p.m., Balmain v. North Sydney.

No. 3.—2.50 p.m., South Sydney v. Auburn.

No. 4.—3.15 p.m., Pymont v. Easts. (Easts will probably forfeit.)

No. 5.—3.40 p.m., Winners of No. 1 v. Winners of No. 2.

No. 6.—4.5 p.m., Winners of No. 3 v. Winners of No. 4.

No. 7.—4.40 p.m., Final of Six-a-side Competition.

4.30 p.m.—Final of 100yds. Championship. (Heats, if any, may be arranged at 3.15 p.m., should Easts forfeit to Pymont.)

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With the Australian Soccer Team in Singapore.

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We were greatly impressed by the wonderful conception of our game by the natives of Singapore. Every movement is appreciated and anything clever applauded. They gave the players a great time, which is more than we can say of the Britishers present.

We left Singapore on Friday afternoon per s.s. "Op, Ten Noort" for Batavia, with the regrettable knowledge that the hospitality of Singapore compared very unfavorably with that of the warm-hearted people of Java.

We had a delightful trip to Batavia, the sea being as calm as Sydney Harbour on its best behaviour. We were not sorry when we stepped ashore at Waltevreden en route for Sourabaya, and then home on 23rd August.